

MAKING THE HOLIDAY CAKE: A GIFT TO THE BELGIANS: LOOKING IN THE SHOPS: CYNTHIA

THREE CHRISTMAS FRUIT CAKE RECIPES GIVEN BY MRS. WILSON

Making of This Delicious and Indispensable Part of the Holiday Dinner Fully Explained

A Minimum of Eggs, Sugar and Butter Is Used—Formula for War Cake of 1865 Given

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SOME give them white bread, some give them brown, some give them plum cake and send them out of town.

To the maker of that immortal ballad, plum cake stood for the most costly bribe within the means of the harassed townfolk.

The housewife would jealously guard the crock that held her precious fruit cake, the recipe of which was highly treasured.

The process of making and baking the empress of cakes was an important factor. In those good old days eggs were plentiful; butter was reasonably plenty; and the good old-fashioned housewife made her cake early in the summer.

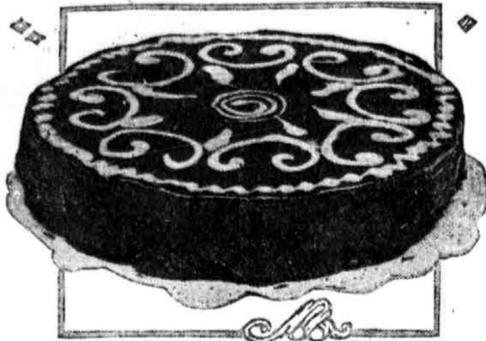
The holiday season in Europe is one of joyous merrymaking and fun. Belgium, Holland, Sweden, Switzerland and Italy make and serve to the young folks and the children daintily made small cakes made from honey, spices and fruit.

Every American housewife has her treasured recipes which she has tested and found good and which the neighbors, far and near, have copied.

You may use rendered chicken fat or vegetable oil in place of butter, or part sugar and part sirup in place of all sugar.

Fruit Cake Using Sirup One-half cupful of sirup.

CHOCOLATE ICING ON FRUIT CAKE



Decorative frosting on the fruit cake adds holiday atmosphere. Recipes for making the cake are given in Mrs. Wilson's article today

- One cupful of sugar. One-half cupful of shortening. Cream together and then add two eggs. One cupful of black coffee. Three cupfuls of sifted flour. One and one-half level tablespoonfuls of baking powder. One and one-half cupfuls of seeded raisins. One-half cupful of finely chopped peanuts. One-half cupful of finely chopped citron. One tablespoonful of cinnamon. One teaspoonful of nutmeg. One-half teaspoonful of cloves. One-quarter teaspoonful of allspice.

Beat to mix and then pour into prepared pans and bake in a slow oven for one and one-quarter hours.

To prepare pans for baking the fruit cake: First, grease the pans thoroughly with melted shortening, using a flat paint brush, and then line with greased paper, then dust the paper with flour.

Try This Real "War-time" Fruit Cake Place in a saucepan One cupful of milk. One cupful of brown sugar. Five level tablespoonfuls of cocoa. Bring to a boil. Now add One cupful of raisins.

Please Tell Me What to Do

By CYNTHIA

A Boudoir Cap with a Mission Dear Cynthia—I wish to give my friend, who is sick in the hospital, a boudoir cap for a Christmas present.

You might say, "I hope this lacy little cap will help to chase all the worries away from the head it is going to grace, and I wish its wearer very happy Christmas and a New Year that will hold no more hospital days."

Exchange of Gifts Dear Cynthia—I am a girl of sixteen and know a boy friend who went to school with me. He was just seventeen this month and celebrated his birthday by taking me to the theatre.

It would be all right for you to accept the gift, provided it is nothing very expensive, and probably won't be, for boys as a rule do not have much money to spend.

Wait a Bit Dear Cynthia—I happened to meet a soldier about six months ago and he asked me to correspond with him.

YOUTH IS BEST Dear Cynthia—I am an Italian and have no mother, so here I come to you for advice. I am a dark brown eye and very pretty teeth.

Things to Know When a white woman in linen, place a piece of white paper under the hole. Machine close together in the length.

Keeping Engagements Dear Cynthia—in answer to "Unbeliever" I would like to say that it depends on the length of friendship between the boy and girl.

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Adventures With a Christmas Purse

I MUST not neglect a suggestion for "him" whenever I can find a particularly good idea.



"Blarney" Gets a Scoring Dear Cynthia—I fear I am going to some way from the subject introduced by your article.

Another Answer to "Blarney" Dear Cynthia—in reference to "An Open Confession From a Heart-Breaker" in Monday's issue.

For the names of shops where articles mentioned in "Adventures With a Purse" can be purchased, address Editor of Woman's Page.

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THE STORY OF ONE WOMAN WHOSE CHRISTMAS WE ENVY

She and Her Daughter Made One Hundred Little Garments for a Holiday Gift to the Little Belgian Children—Time, Effort and Love Went Into These

I KNOW a woman whose Christmas I envy. With her own eager hands and with the aid of those of her daughter, she turned out one hundred little garments for the Belgian children.

WAS it easy to make one hundred little brand-new pieces of children's clothing? No it wasn't. I'll warrant there was many a time this mother and her daughter went to bed with their eyes aching and their feet weary with the endless tread of the sewing machine.

The main objection to giving candy for Christmas is that there must be something decidedly different about it, to distinguish it from any other boxes of candy your friend might receive.

Our Big Fur Sale. will continue until every piece in our stock is closed out. All of this year's garments will positively be disposed of to make way for new models.

THE WOMAN'S EXCHANGE

TODAY'S INQUIRIES 1. Suggest an attractive centerpiece for the Christmas Day table.

Size of Fairmount Park Dear Madam—Will you please tell me how large the Fairmount Park is?

Religion of General Haig Dear Madam—Would you kindly publish in your column what religion the General Haig of the British army?

What to Give Soldier Brother Dear Madam—Would you please let me know what would be a good Christmas present for my brother, who expects to be in the New Jersey army training camp?

About Dancing Lessons Dear Madam—I would like my daughter to learn fancy dancing.

A Christmas Party Dear Madam—Could you suggest a rhyme that could be used for an invitation for a Christmas party?

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buy pretty Santa Claus crepe paper in the stores that "decorate" beautifully.

Here's a Brave Boy To the Editor of Woman's Page: Dear Madam—Although I am a young man, I have a very interesting story to tell.

To Soften Black Kid To clean and soften black kid boots or gloves, put the gloves on the hands and rub into them as much camphorated oil as the kid will absorb.

Furs of the Better Grade For Christmas Gifts

Christmas Department If you are puzzled about what to give any one in the family or out of the family for Christmas, write to this department for suggestions.



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